

FCC Commissioners:

I send this e-mail in objection to the NAB petition 04-160, which opposes the broadcasting of XM Instand Traffic and Weather on satellite radio.

I have been a subscriber to XM Radio ("XM") for approximately 3 months and pay monthly subscription fees to obtain the service in each of my two vehicles. The quality and quantity of content from this service can not be obtained elsewhere, especially on normal broadcast radio. It is well worth the cost of obtaining this option on a new car along with the monthly subscription fees. I generally do not listen to broadcast radio anymore.

While I primarily listen to music, I find the traffic updates for multiple cities to be useful and efficient. In the NY metro area I can quickly get an update on traffic conditions without having to wait as I would if I used one of the news stations. Further the updates provided on XM is far more thorough than what has been provided on these all news stations for years. It is also quite useful if I am travelling and need traffic information in another city, I can quickly find that on XM.

I am shocked and outraged to find that the National Association of Broadcasters is attempting to limit the content I can hear, through the filing of this petition. I pay for this service and find it hard to believe that anyone would want to prevent me from hearing about the traffic conditions on the public roads. There is no proprietary content to traffic conditions and therefore I should not be prohibited from hearing them on any medium I choose. It is a disgrace to find that an organization should waste this time of a governmental agency with such a repugnant request.

I respectfully urge you to reject this petition and to continue to allow XM and all satellite radio broadcasters to provide the content I am entitled to.

Respectfully submitted,

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